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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**


Ser. No.: 10/621,087	Filed: July 16, 2003	Examiner: Kerns
Art Unit: 1725	Title: <b>LOCKING DEVICE FOR LATCH ASSEMBLY</b>	

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Rate
Total Claims	26	Minus	27	0	X \$50	\$0.00
Indep. Claims	5	Minus	5	0	X \$200	\$0.00
TOTAL					=	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No additional fee is believed due, however, if this is not the case, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Payment for the filing of this Amendment and any appropriate extension of time fees are authorized to be charged to a Credit Card. The appropriate form PTO-2038 is enclosed for this purpose. If the Credit Card is unable to be charged, please charge any and all fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant(s) hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and request a month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action.					

Respectfully submitted,

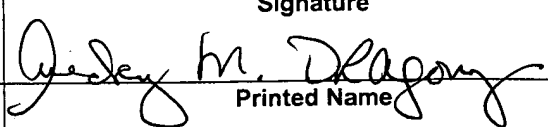
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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TITLE : **LOCKING DEVICE FOR LATCH  
ASSEMBLY**  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2005, on the above-referenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.